

NM EQIP FY 2006 Ranking Criteria Worksheet - Grazing Lands - Roy F.O.

Applicant:

Farm No.

Tract No.

CMS Field No's

Date:

Final Rating

Preliminary Rating

1. Plants - 400 Potential Points 50%

Departures from Expected N-S=10, S-M=20, M=30, M-E=40, E=50				N-S	S-M	M	M-E	E
Range Site Indicator - Dominant	Functional Structure Groups (Range Plant Communities)							
	Invasive Plants (Mesquite or Juniper Invasion)							
Range Site Indicator - Brush	Functional Structure Groups (Range Plant Communities)							
	Invasive Plants (Mesquite or Juniper Invasion)							
Total For Range Land Health				0				
Note: Instructions on separate sheet				% Area in Contract Before Treatment	% Area in Contract After	Potential Points	Bench- mark Points	After Points
Grazing Plan	Continuous Use					50	0	0
	2-3 Pasture Rotation/herd					100	0	0
	4-6 Pasture Rotation/herd					200	0	0
	7 or More Pasture Rotation/herd					250	0	0
Total For Grazing Plan Points				0				
Total For Section 1 Plants:				0				

2. Conservation Practice(s) Selection - 320 Potential Points 40%

Any practice used in the ranking criteria and intended to be included in the conservation plan of operations must be a cost-shared practice or have an incentive payment. Higher priority (value) should be given to those practices which address multiple resource concerns, are cost effective, and have longer life spans. Select resource concerns from NM Quality Criteria Guide.	Potential Points	Percent of Need to be Installed	After Points
Soil (Erosion) (Sheet & Rill, Wind & Water)Water(Quantity & Quality) (Excessive Runoff & Flooding) Plant (Community) (Productivity, Health & Vigor, Invasive Plants) Animals (Habitat) (Wildlife Imbalance, Domestic Animal Inadequate Quantities & Quality of Forage, Inadequate Stock Water)			
(314) Brush Management	150		0
Upgrade Grazing Management For Range Improvement			0
(528) Initiate Rest Min 60 days During Growing Season (April 15-Sept 15)	50		0
(614,516,642,533) Water Establishment and Distribution	25		0
(382) Fencing to Establish Grazing System	25		0
(548) Need for Artificial Disturbance (Chisel)	25		0
(648) Wildlife Watering Facility	25		0
(550) Range Planting	20		0
Total for Section 2 Coservation Practice(s)	0		

3. Other Considerations - 80 Potential Points 10%

Items A thru D are required. If there are other criteria the D.C. wants to <u>recommend</u> based on LWG advice, please include them as item E.	Potential Points	Bench-mark Points	After Points
A. At risk species habitat will be enhanced. (List the species impacted)	20		
B. Treatment of this land could have a beneficial impact on a 303d listed stream segment.	N/A		
C. Treatment of this land could enhance the benefits of an active or planned sec. 309 project.	N/A		
D. The land is within a NMED designated Category I watershed.	N/A		
E. Producer has a developed EQIP plan to meet RMS on or before January 27,2006	60		
Total For Section 3 Other Considerations:		0	

Total Points (After minus Benchmark): Section 1 0 Section 2 0 Section 3 0 **Total for Worksheet 0**

***A minimum of 150 total points must be earned to be considered for contract selection.**

Designated Conservationist

Date

Producer

Date